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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-6. (Cancelled).

7. (Previously presented) A polishing method which is part of a method for fabricating a

semiconductor device, the fabrication method including the process step of polishing a substrate

using CMP,

wherein in the polishing process step, a tube-type slurry supply pump is used for

supplying a slurry, and

wherein in the tube-type slurry supply pump, a tube which substantially does not contain

fine particles for reinforcing the strength of the tube is used as a tube for supplying the slurry,

and

wherein the tube is a vinyl chloride type tube.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously presented) A method for fabricating a semiconductor device, comprising

the polishing method of claim 7.

10. (Currently amended) A system for polishing a substrate using CMP, comprising:

a CMP apparatus for polishing the substrate; and

a tube-type slurry supply pump containing a tube for supplying a slurry during polishing,

wherein a tube for the tube-type slurry supply pump is a tube in which at least [[the]] an

inner surface of the tube is formed of a vinyl chloride material, and

wherein the tube is a vinyl chloride type tube.

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11-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently amended) A device formation method comprising the steps of: placing a substrate in a CMP unit,

supplying a slurry on the substrate via a tube by a tube-type slurry supply pump through a tube connected to a slurry pump, and

polishing the substrate on which the slurry is supplied,

wherein the tube has at least an inner surface of the tube is formed of a vinyl chloride material.

18. (Currently amended) The device formation method of claim 17, A device formation method comprising of,

placing a substrate in a CMP unit,

supplying a slurry on the substrate through a tube connected to a slurry pump, and polishing the substrate on which the slurry is supplied, wherein the tube is substantially formed of a vinyl chloride material type tube.

19. (Currently amended) The system for polishing a substrate using CMP of claim 10, A system for forming a semiconductor device comprising:

a CMP unit for-polishing-a substrate;

a slurry pump for supplying a slurry to the CMP unit; and

a tube connected between the CMP unit and the slurry pump,

wherein the tube is <u>substantially formed of</u> a vinyl chloride <u>material</u> type tube.

20-21. (Cancelled)

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- 22. (New) A polishing method of claim 7, wherein the tube is repeatedly compressed by the tube-type slurry supply pump.
- 23. (New) A method for fabricating a semiconductor device of claim 9, wherein the tube is repeatedly compressed by the tube-type slurry supply pump.
- 24. (New) A system for polishing a substrate using CMP of claim 10, wherein the tube is repeatedly compressed by the tube-type slurry supply pump.
- 25. (New) A device formation method of claim 17, wherein the tube is repeatedly compressed by the tube-type slurry supply pump.

26. (New) A polishing method of claim 7,

- wherein a delivery roller repeatedly compresses the tube in the tube-type slurry supply pump.
- 27. (New) A method for fabricating a semiconductor device of claim 9, wherein a delivery roller repeatedly compresses the tube in the tube-type slurry supply pump.
- 28. (New) A system for polishing a substrate using CMP of claim 10, wherein a delivery roller repeatedly compresses the tube in the tube-type slurry supply pump.
- 29. (New) A device formation method of claim 17, wherein a delivery roller repeatedly compresses the tube in the tube-type slurry supply pump.